CHAPTER NO. 653

HOUSE BILL NO. 2537

By Representatives Fowlkes, Sargent, Hawk, Shepard, Pinion, Maddox, Strader, McCormick, Eric Watson, Montgomery, Bone, DuBois, Odom, Roach, Marrero, Ulysses Jones, Lois DeBerry, Miller

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3433

By Senator Jackson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 8, Part 1, relative to rules of the road.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-132, is amended by deleting subsection (e) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(e) A violation of this section is a Class B misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or imprisonment not greater than thirty (30) days, or both.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation is encouraged to alter any existing signage on public roadways to educate the motoring public of the increased punishment for a violation of § 55-8-132.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 1, 2006

NAIFEH, SPEAKER

JOHN S. WILDER

APPROVED this 12th day of May 2006

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR